

Governor Johnston of Alabama has just granted a unique pardon to John Boston, a negro, of Russell county. Boston was serving a term for stealing chickens and the governor granted him a pardon upon condition that for twelve months he should not buy, steal or eat another chicken of any portion thereof.

In France advertising posters must bear revenue stamps, varying in value according to the size of the paper. A man who affixed a 15-centime stamp on a poster which should have had only a 6-centime stamp has just been fined 125 francs, or \$25, for the offense.

New Inventions.
The U. S. Patent Office issued 379 patents to American inventors the past week, and of this number 38 were able to sell the whole or a part of their inventions before the patent was issued.

Amongst the prominent firms to purchase patents were the following:
New Britain Machine Co., New Britain, Conn.
Syracuse Chilled Plow Co., Syracuse, N. Y.
Ellwood City Gas Engine Co., Ellwood City, Pa.
Dietrich Gear Co., New York, N. Y.
Winslow Bros. Co., Chicago, Ill.
Eastman Kodak Co., New York.
General Electric Co. of New York, and the Manhattan Brass Co., New York.

Inventors desiring a free list of manufacturers of a certain line of goods may obtain the same in addressing Sues & Co., Patent Lawyers and Solicitors, Bee Bldg., Omaha, Neb.

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ALL OVER THE STATE

Must Maintain Bridges.
LINCOLN, Sept. 25.—The supreme court has declared void the section of the statutes providing for the control and maintenance by county boards of bridges constructed by irrigation companies or owners of irrigation systems. This decision is in the case of State ex rel. Dawson county, vs. Farmers' and Merchants' Irrigation company. The power of the legislature to enact laws securing for certain persons immunity from burdens which, under similar conditions, rest upon all other persons, being denied.

One section of the statutes of 1897 provides that any corporation, canal company, mill owner or any other person, shall make and keep in good repair sufficient crossings over public or private highways. Section 58 of the session laws of 1895 provides that any owner of any system of irrigation shall construct suitable bridges across its ditches on public roads and that the county boards shall thereafter control and maintain them.

Prior to 1895 all owners of ditches crossing public highways were charged with the duty of keeping public bridges across the ditches in repair. The legislature of 1895, the court holds, assumed to exempt irrigation companies from this burden, while leaving all other ditch owners still subject to it. The opinion is by Judge Sullivan and closes with the following:

"Section 58 of the irrigation law of 1895, being an attempt to confer a special privilege on a particular class, comes under the ban of the constitution and is therefore null. The section is not so connected with the balance of the act as to be incapable of separation from it. Neither can it be said that it constituted an inducement to the adoption of the measure. The balance of the law is, therefore, unaffected by this decision."

As to Loan Associations.
LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 25.—A decision of interest to people connected with building and loan associations is found in the case of the Interstate Savings and Loan associations, appellees, against Hattie B. Strine. The contention of the association in this case was that the usury law was not applicable to either foreign or domestic corporations of the class to which it belongs. That building and loan associations, incorporated under the laws of Nebraska, are not affected by the statute against usury has been settled beyond controversy, the court holds, but in other cases it has been ruled that foreign corporations are not within the provision of section 9 of the act of 1891, that being the clause under which the exemption was claimed. The syllabus in this case is that: "Foreign building and loan associations doing business in this state are, on their usurious contracts, subject to the penalties of the statute against usury."

Incendiary Fire at Harvard.
HARVARD, Neb., Sept. 25.—Fire was discovered in the barn on the premises occupied by C. C. Kenyon in the northeast portion of the city. The structure was all ablaze inside when discovered and before the fire department could reach the scene with the apparatus it was beyond saving and all the boys could do was to prevent the spread of the fire. Every indication points to incendiary origin. Mr. Kenyon was in the barn at 8 o'clock and everything was all right when he locked the door for the night. The structure was worth probably \$125 with no insurance. Mr. Kenyon had three trunks filled with clothing and tools and some household furniture stored in the building.

Chancellor Resigns.
LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 25.—The regents of the university met in special session to consider the resignation of Chancellor MacLean, to look after the new building projects, and to care for other business connected with preparing the institution for the regular opening in September. All of the members of the board were present. The resignation of the chancellor was read and accepted, to take effect August 1. The board spent some time in executive session after this, considering, it is understood, the course to be taken in filling the executive chair. Another meeting will be held this morning, when the subjects considered last night will probably be acted upon.

Michael Bagley Found Guilty.
O'NEILL, Neb., Sept. 25.—The trial of Michael Bagley, accused of assaulting Mrs. August Yankel, August 24, was concluded last week and a verdict of guilty returned by the jury this morning. The trial of Patrick Welsh, on the same charge, is in progress. The trial of Bagley lasted three days and was a bitter legal contest upon the part of Judge Jackson of Neligh and R. R. Dickson of this place, who appeared for the defense. The state was represented by one county attorney and J. J. Harrington. On account of the intensity of public sentiment Judge Kinkaid upon petition called a special term of court for trial of the cases.

Hit His Doctor With a Hammer.
PLATTSBURGH, Neb., Sept. 25.—Frank Baird went into A. Nicks' saloon to collect 10 cents from Julius Range. Julius did not pay and Baird, in a rage struck him on the head with a hammer, felling him to the floor and cutting a gash which required five stitches to close. Range went to county attorney J. L. Root and swore out a warrant for Baird's arrest, charging assault and battery.

Penders New Church Out of Debt.
PENDER, Neb., Sept. 25.—The Methodists of Pender dedicated their new \$2,200 church and Dr. Chase of the First Methodist church of Omaha preached the dedicatory address. A deficit of \$450 was promptly raised and the new church is entirely out of debt.

Farnam's Corner on Old Corn.
FARNAM, Neb., Sept. 25.—The 200,000 bushels of old corn that was cribbed here is being shelled and shipped to the market as rapidly as possible to make room for the new crop.

Threatened by a Woman.
HEMINGFORD, Neb., Sept. 23.—William Willmott, a bachelor farmer living five miles west of here, received a sound thrashing at the hands of Mrs. Lela Phillips, a neighbor's wife. The cause of the trouble, it is said, was that Willmott's stock were trespassing on the Phillips' farm and after bearing the annoyance for several days Mrs. Phillips penned up the stock, Mr. Phillips being away from home. This aroused Mr. Willmott's ire and when he came after his stock, she claims, he commenced to call her vile names, whereupon she proceeded to give him a lashing with a strap which had a buckle on the end. Willmott made no resistance, but when he made his escape he again abused Mrs. Phillips. She fears further violence from Willmott and came to town with a view of having him placed under arrest. Willmott was examined by the board of insanity a couple of years ago.

Big Day at David City.
DAVID CITY, Neb., Sept. 23.—The celebration and reception given in honor of Company E was a red letter day for David City. More people were in town than ever before. The celebration opened promptly at 10 o'clock by the parade under command of Captain Ziegler of Company E, and consisted of four bands, Company E, David City and Linwood fire departments and civic societies, with other attractions. The parade over dinner was served by the ladies of the G. A. R. and honorary members of old Company E. This meal was a great repast and nothing good to eat was missing from the table. After dinner the program of the afternoon in the public square was carried out, the feature of which was the speech of Chaplain James Mailley, who was pastor of the Methodist church here the year before he went to the Philippines.

The Reform School Act.
LINCOLN, Sept. 23.—The case of Scott against Flowers, a case involving the constitutionality of the reform school act, which has been dragging along in the courts in Lancaster county for several years, was argued and submitted to the supreme court last week. A young girl named Flowers was charged in the county court by her guardian with incorrigibility. After a hearing the girl was committed to the reform school, but was afterward released on an order from the court. Friends of the girl brought suit for damages against the guardian, Scott, and secured a judgment for her for \$2,500. This case was appealed to the supreme court and the point is now raised that the entire reform school law is contrary to statute.

Cornell Against Pointer.
LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 23.—It is probable that the case of Auditor Cornell against Governor Poynter, testing the Weaver act, will be argued before the supreme court at its next sitting. When the court took up for consideration the motion of Judge Ryan, attorney for Auditor Cornell, asking for an advancement of the case, Attorney General Smyth appeared and expressed his willingness to participate in the proceedings on behalf of the governor. The court granted the attorneys for the defendant two weeks in which to file an answer to the information of Auditor Cornell and Judge Ryan.

Telephone Case Decided.
LINCOLN, Sept. 23.—The supreme court handed down a decision of the case of the Nebraska Telephone company against the State Board of Public Lands and Buildings, affirming the dismissal by the lower court of the petition of the company for a permanent injunction restraining the board from taking action on the complaint of John O. Yeiser, who sought to have telephone rates reduced. It was thought the decision in the case would touch upon the constitutionality of the various state boards provided for by statute and not by constitution, but this point is not decided.

Narrowly Escapes Destruction.
M'COOK, Neb., Sept. 23.—The St. Charles hotel of this city narrowly escaped destruction by fire. Quick work of the department alone saved the large brick building, which, with its contents, was damaged to the extent of several hundred dollars by fire and water. There are indications that the fire was of incendiary origin. The city was full of strangers on account of the exhibition of Ringling's show.

School Teacher Becomes Insane.
NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Sept. 23.—Miss Mary N. Case, formerly of Syracuse, but more recently a school teacher in the western part of the state, became suddenly insane here. It is believed because of overwork. She has been taken to Lincoln and placed in the asylum.

Probable Elopement at Lyons.
LYONS, Neb., Sept. 23.—Rodney McCathern, who has been for some time a clerk at the Logan house, disappeared recently. Nothing strange would have been thought of McCathern's departure had not a waitress, Dolly Cranford, left at the same time. McCathern is a married man and has a wife at Bancroft, Neb.

Mangled by a Thresher.
ELMWOOD, Neb., Sept. 23.—While assisting in threshing at Joseph Mullin's farm, west of town, Ferdinand Mergerson got his right hand in the machinery of the thresher and the third finger run through between the cog wheels and was badly mangled.

Watermelon Social at Clarks.
CLARKS, Neb., Sept. 23.—The local lodge of the Sons and Daughters of Protection gave a watermelon social on the beautiful lawn of William Harris' home. There was an excellent musical and literary program.

Accidental Shooting.
ASHLAND, Neb., Sept. 23.—While Roy Beers of Sargent was flourishing a rifle at Charles Williams' place west of Ashland the trigger caught, discharging a bullet into his abdomen, but not producing a serious wound.

A woman named Annie Washington was buried on July 21 at Northwich. She died at the age of 44 years, and had been the mother of twenty-five children, of whom it was stated that three are living, aged 20, 18 and 8 years, so that twenty-two of this number have died. She was married at 21 years and had twins three times.

A platform car recently completed at the Boston & Maine railroad shops, in Salem, Mass., has a carrying capacity of 100,000 pounds, 40,000 pounds more than any other car on the road. It is thirty-two feet long.

NEBRASKA'S GREAT CORN CROP

300,000,000 Bushels Is the Estimate and It May Be More.

A conservative estimate of Nebraska's corn crop, which is now safe from frost, is 300,000,000 bushels. It is hard for the mind to grasp what these figures mean. Counting 60 bushels of shelled corn to the load, it would take five million teams to haul the crop to market, a caravan that would reach around the world. It will take an army of 80,000 men over two months to husk it if they husk 60 bushels a day each. If loaded into cars of 30,000 capacity it would take 600,000 cars to haul the crop, a train over 4,000 miles long. At no time within the past ten years has there been such a tendency on the part of farmers to look for new locations, either to better themselves or to provide homes for their children. Many sections in the East are overcrowded, while thousands of acres of rich, well-watered lands can still be had in Nebraska and Northern Kansas at comparatively low prices. Thousands will visit that country this fall, as the railroads have announced cheap-rate harvest excursions for Oct. 3 and 17.

U. S. Patent Office.
In the list of 397 patents this week 5 were for Iowa inventors; 3 for Nebraska; 11 for Minnesota; 5 for Kansas; 16 for Missouri; 37 for Illinois; 50 for New York.

Patents have been allowed our clients but not yet issued as follows: To J. M. Callender, of Des Moines, for a cabinet for holding and displaying packages. A hinged glass covered front is provided with vertically arranged compartments for packages, such as splices. The lower one of any column of these packages may be removed without opening the cabinet.

To H. Willis, of Des Moines, for a detachable collar button and necktie holder specially adapted to facilitate securing collars to shirts and maintaining neckties in proper position relative thereto as required to prevent the annoyances incident to neckties becoming loose and displaced on the wearer's neck.

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REUBEN G. ORWIG,
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J. RALPH ORWIG,
Registered Attorneys,
Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 16, '99.

The improvements that are being made to the Baltimore and Ohio South Western railroad between Parkersburg and East St. Louis are being pushed rapidly to completion. Seventeen thousand tons of 85 pound steel rails have been placed in the track, and there are still 25,000 tons to come, delivery being delayed on account of rush of orders at the mills. The company has also put in 125 miles of gravel ballast and expects to get out 200 miles more during the season, and it is hoped by Fall that the track will rank as the best in the west. A great many grade reductions and changes in line are also being made between Cincinnati and St. Louis. The purpose is to make a uniform one-half of one per cent grade between Cincinnati and St. Louis, as well as to eliminate a large amount of objectionable curvature. At one point, for instance, the line is to be shortened a mile and a half, 350 degrees of curvature eliminated and seven bridges abandoned.

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The North American Review for September is in close touch with the leading interests of the day, and in the quality of its contents it more than fulfills the promises made by the new editor when he undertook the management of the Review—which indeed, have been most generously redeemed by every issue that has come from his hands. The number opens with the late Colonel Ingersoll's famous reply published originally in the Review in November, 1897, and which is republished now in consideration of the keen and widespread interest awakened by Colonel Ingersoll's death in his views on religion and religious dogma. This paper contains what is in all probability the fullest, strongest and most eloquent statement of his position which the brilliant agnostic ever penned.

Husband—I have just been talking with the new clergyman and find we agree. Wife—Why, I didn't know that you didn't believe in the Bible.—Brooklyn Life.

Through the big telescope of the Lick Observatory, it has been discovered that Polaris, or the North star, is really a system of three stars, which revolve around each other. These three bodies cannot be seen even with the Lick telescope. Their existence is determined by observations made with the spectroscopic.

A Sullivan (Ind.) man has refused to pay a note for \$150, which he gave to a church some years ago on the grounds that the paper was drawn on a Sunday, and was, therefore, of no value.

A tea party was held at Bass Point, Boone county, Ia., in few days ago, which the combined ages of the ladies present were 410 years. Grandma Gutzman, aged 89, was the oldest; Grandma Klinedob, second in point of age, is 87; Grandma Zimmler, 82, Grandma Switzer is 81 and Grandma Bennett 71. All are widows. They have been friends for half a century and frequently meet at these little tea parties.

The new umbrella and the unloaded gun, are liable to go off without warning.

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